

# Superior Court of the District of Columbia

## CRIMINAL DIVISION

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### AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF AN ARREST WARRANT

U S W No.:  
**2012 CRW 2036**

DEFENDANT'S NAME: PEOPLES, JOSEPH				C C R: 12-095018		PDID: 594-632	
SEX: MALE	RACE: BLACK	D.O.B.: 02/22/1991	HEIGHT: 510	WEIGHT: 181	EYES: BROWN	HAIR: BLACK	COMPLEXION: MEDIUM
DEFENDANT'S HOME ADDRESS: [REDACTED] OWENS PLACE NE, Washington, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA						TELEPHONE NUMBER:	
DEFENDANT'S BUSINESS ADDRESS:						TELEPHONE NUMBER:	

COMPLAINANT'S NAME: JONES, MICHAEL EDWARD		
LOCATION OF OFFENSE: 1730 7TH STREET NW	DATE OF OFFENSE: 07/07/2012	TIME OF OFFENSE: 22:38

GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF WHAT HAPPENED:

☒ X\_00 = Armed and Dangerous  
☒ X\_05 = Violent Tendencies

On Saturday, July 7, 2012, at approximately 2238 hours members of the Metropolitan Police Departments Third District responded to the front of 1730 7th St., NW, to investigate the report of a shooting. Upon arrival, the officers observed the decedent lying in an unconscious and unresponsive state in front of 1730 7th St, NW. The decedent was suffering from at least one apparent gunshot wound. A second gunshot victim was also located near 7th St. and Rhode Island Ave., NW.

DCFEMS responded to the scene and determined the decedent had no signs of life. His remains were left on the scene and subsequently transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner pending pronouncement of death and autopsy. The second victim was transported to an area hospital where he was treated and released.

On Sunday July 8th 2012, the decedent was pronounced dead at 0859 hours by Doctor Prashar of the District of Columbia's Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. An Autopsy was also conducted on the remains of the decedent, Michael Edward Jones, by Doctor Prashar. The cause of death was ruled to be a gunshot wound to the back of the head and the manner was ruled e homicide.

During the initial phase of this investigation several people were located and interviewed by members of the Criminal Investigation Division (CID), Homicide Branch.

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Charge With: MURDER TWO WHILE ARMED

Jeffery R. Ragsdale / PCL VIA Telephon  
 ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

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W1 then observe the individual "Turk" walk across the street in the 1700 Block of 7th Street, NW to the same unidentified male. W1 stated that IT looked like the unidentified male passed something to "Turk". As soon as this happened "Turk" turned and began to fire/shoot in the direction of the decedent. The decedent returned fire but was struck in the head causing him to fall in front of 1730 7th Street, NW.

During an initial canvass of this homicide scene by members of the Metropolitan Police Departments Third Patrol District it was learned that several security cameras were located in the area of this homicide. One of the Officers, having knowledge of the security company hired to patrol the area of this homicide, contacted the security company's representative and had the representative access and view the security footage associated to this area. This footage shows the decedent walking in front of 1730 7th Street, NW when a person, who is not in camera view, starts shooting at the decedent. The decedent is seen returning fire in this footage and then turns north and starts to run up the west sidewalk but is struck in the body and falls to the ground outside of camera view. The decedent's .45 cal. ACP Hi-Point firearm was recovered by members of the Metropolitan Police Department just a short distance away from the decedent's body.

A few seconds after the decedent leaves the viewing coverage of the security camera and falls to the ground, the suspect, wearing a black Tee shirt and blue jean shorts, enters the view of the security camera and walks up to the front door of 1730 7th Street, NW and appears to tuck something into the front of his pants and covers it with his tee shirt before entering 1730 7th Street, NW. Further review of additional security cameras in the building shows the same suspect descending a staircase on the north side of 1730 7th Street, NW, peek out of the exit door and then secrete something from his waist under the staircase. After secreting the item under the staircase the security camera shows the suspect ascending the stairs out of security camera view. The security company representative, after viewing the suspect secrete the item under the staircase, contacted members of the Metropolitan Police Department via cellular telephone and provided them with this information. Officers immediately responded to the exact area described by the security company representative and recovered two handguns from underneath the staircase. Recovered were a black Glock 26 9mm pistol missing the slide and magazine and a Silver Inter-Arms 9MMx19 handgun with a

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<p>GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF WHAT HAPPENED: black grip.</p> <p>Members of the Forensic Sciences Division responded and recovered several items of evidence to include the firearms, clothing, photographs, bullet and bullet fragments, several spent .45 Cal and several spent 9MM shell casings.</p> <p>As the on-scene investigation into this homicide continued, members of the Metropolitan Police Department's Third District Crime Suppression team viewed the security camera footage and identified the suspect in this video footage as Antonio Peoples. Members of the Crime Suppression Unit who also briefly interviewed W1. stated that W1 told them that the he knew the shooter as "Turk" and that "Turk" was wearing a White Tee Shirt. Armed with this information members of the Criminal Investigations Division-Homicide Branch prepared a Photograph Identification Spread sheet which consists of nine color photographs including Antonio Peoples and presented this sheet to W1. After viewing this Photographic Identification Spread sheet W1 stated "not number one. He's the older brother. The younger brother did the shooting". The person in position number one was Antonio Peoples with a PDID of 568-494. With this information, an additional Photographic Identification Spread sheet was prepared with Joseph Peoples. After viewing this Photographic Identification Spread Sheet W1 pointed to position number nine and stated "he was the one who did the shooting. He was the one who shot my brother". During the interview with homicide detectives W1 reported that the suspect was wearing a black tank top, Joseph Peoples was in position number nine and has a PDID number of 594-632.</p> <p>As the investigation continued, members of the Criminal Investigations Division-Homicide Branch received information from a Police officer assigned to the Third District Patrol Section, hereinafter referred to as W2, who is familiar with and has had personal contact with both Antonio and Joseph Peoples. W2 stated that IT believes that the person who entered the front of 1730 7th Street NW tucking something into his waist and secrete something under the stairs is Joseph Peoples and not Antonio Peoples.</p> <p>This affidavit contains information necessary to support probable cause for this application. Not every fact known to this investigation or by the government is set forth in this affidavit. Additionally, unless otherwise noted, wherever in this affidavit I assert that an individual made a statement, that statement is described in substance, and in part, and is not intended to be a verbatim recitation of the entire</p>							

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Based on the above referenced statements, facts and circumstances, your Affiant believes that probable cause exists for a Superior Court Judge for the District of Columbia to issue an arrest warrant for the defendant, Joseph Peoples, DOB - 2/22/1991, PDID number of 594-632, charging him accordingly.

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